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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Eisenhower Plan

THE new American Congress begins its functions confronted with the task of making a decision that can affect the whole course of future events in the Middle East; Congress can either endorse the United States with a new and vital role in that area, or permit continued existence of the dangerous vacuum created by recent events in Egypt. President Eisenhower has a Middle East plan, but he requires for it congressional approval. That it involves to some extent departure from traditional procedure in that it seeks to give the President immediate powers to use force if necessary to preserve the peace in the Middle East may produce some opposition in Congress. Nevertheless, the prospects of Mr. Eisenhower making a successful appeal to accept and endorse his plan can be rated high.

The essential purpose of the latest Eisenhower policy is to preserve the Middle East from Russian political and economic pressures which would lead to Communist domination of the Arab countries. Its necessity has become the more urgent because Britain cannot now physically exert any stabilizing influence in the area, a factor aggravated by Russia's unilateral abrogation of the 1954 Anglo-Egyptian Treaty.

There is no disguising the fact that the Middle East has now become wide open for political exploitation by Russia. She has already gained considerable influence in the area through her arming of Egypt, Syria and the Yemen, and unless some deterring action is taken, she will pursue the course of making herself the dominant power in the Middle East.

THE current danger is not solely confined to armed aggression from without; there exists a very real threat of internal subversion within the Arab states. Syria's government, for example, has now been purged of all moderates and is virtually a dictatorship under Soviet influence. In the Yemen also there are disturbing signs of increasing belligerency directed against the Aden protectorate.

It is in the light of these developments that President Eisenhower's plan needs to be viewed. The task which the President is proposing the United States should undertake is twofold: to deter Communist armed aggression in the Middle East, and to woo those Arab states not associated with the Baghdad pact away from Russian influence. Thus economic aid figures largely in the plan. The doubt which arises is not concerning the wisdom of the new policy, assuming it is approved by Congress, but whether it has been too long delayed. Economic assistance cannot be forced on a country and if, for example, the rulers of Syria and the Yemen determine to pursue their political and economic affiliations with Russia, the Eisenhower plan becomes undermined. The President will probably obtain the congressional approval he seeks; the crucial factor however will be the reactions of the Arab states to the plan.

New Oil For Europe

In tomorrow's feature-packed China Mail, Graham Cawthorne reports on an oil strike in southern Algeria which could free Europe from dollars — and Nasser.

This is only one of the highlights in the big week-end family favourite edition of the Mail. Here are some others:

- ★ Don Iddon's Diary looks into 1957.
- ★ Your breakfast tells what type of man you are.
- ★ A woman who is already busy with Christmas 1956, by Romany Bain.
- ★ There are all your regular favourites as well including tips for tomorrow's race meeting at the Valley, film reviews by Jane Roberts, three pages of local and overseas pictures, cartoons, comic strips, puzzles — all in the Saturday Mail.

PREMIER TO BE ELECTED

Non-Communists Likely In New Govt

By RONALD FARQUHAR

Budapest, Jan. 3.

Hungary is expected to have a new coalition government next month if present political plans go through smoothly, usually well informed sources said today.

Talks between the ruling Communist Party and other political parties about the composition of a new government are planned to begin in about six weeks.

Before that committees of experts will hammer out a detailed programme for the future of Hungary, ravaged by revolution and threatened with economic chaos.

Afterwards, Parliament will meet in a special session to elect the new government and a new Prime Minister, the sources said. There was speculation in some political quarters that the Communist might take the place of the present Soviet-backed puppet, János Kádár.

EXPECTED SOON

Political wheels will start turning as soon as the Kádár government announces its long-awaited and twice postponed policy declaration which, government sources say, will provide the basis for a broader government, including non-Communists.

The declaration, which is believed to be already drafted, is expected to be published next Sunday or Monday, or by January 15, at the latest. It is expected to devote itself largely to the solution of Hungary's present economic and political troubles. Usually well informed sources described it as a "bureaucratic" document.

CAUTIOUS WELCOME

Immediately after its publication, seven committees of experts including people belonging to non-Communist parties, to no party, as well as Communists, will go to work drawing up a programme for individual sectors of the country's economic life, including industry, agriculture and finance. The sources said that already one former member of the Peasants Party and three former

Smallholders Party members had been asked to head some of the committees but had replied that they would wait till they saw the government policy declaration before answering.

The individual programmes will be co-ordinated into one overall plan and then inter-party talks will start.

It is expected that the Social Democratic Party will be invited to join them as well as the Peasants and Smallholders—the main non-Communist parties. There have been no such talks so far, the sources said.

Some details of the plan were published in the Budapest evening newspaper Esti Hírlap tonight. Observers said the general man-in-the-street reaction to the news was one of cautious welcome.

PARLIAMENT'S ROLE

Esti Hírlap also forecast that the Hungarian Parliament—the National Assembly—which in the past met only rarely, would now have a greater voice in the country's affairs.

The newspaper added that Parliament must ensure "the maintenance of Socialist legality." Members of Parliament would be encouraged to use their right of interpellation to question ministers and to keep closer contact with their constituents.

It also said that the activity of the presidential council, a 24-man body elected to carry out the functions of Parliament between sittings, would be restricted more to supervising the work of Parliament, and it would issue fewer regulations and laws than in the past.

The newspaper said there would be changes in the membership of the presidential council from which four disgraced former Communist leaders would be dropped — Matyas Rakosi, Hungary's "little Stalin" and former Communist Party chief, Erno Gero, who succeeded him in this post, Istvan Kovacs, former Budapest Party Secretary, and Erzsébet Andics, woman theoretician.

ECONOMIC CHAOS

The news of future plans for Hungary came as the country struggled to return to normal with her industry crippled by shortages of coal, power and raw materials and her under-manned mines producing only about one-third of previous output.

Unconfirmed reports said that there were still occasional clashes in the areas of Miskolc, a mining centre in north-east Hungary, and around the Bekény Forest in the west. Bands of nationalist partisans have been reported in these areas.

Usually well informed sources said they believed that Soviet troops had begun gradually withdrawing from Hungary and that three or four of the estimated 11 divisions left, but it was not clear whether these would be replaced by others.

Heavy concentrations of Soviet tanks, armoured units and artillery are still reported in the capital—China Mail Special & France-Press.

KREMLIN WORRIED

Which Way—Nehru?

London, Jan. 3.

India's shifting attitude between East and West will top the agenda of the forthcoming emergency meeting in Moscow between the Chinese Premier Mr. Chou En-lai and the Kremlin leaders, informed sources said today.

Soviet Russia has shown growing uneasiness in recent weeks over Indian Premier Jawaharlal Nehru's policy moves last month.

Diplomatic sources said Marshal Georgi Zhukov's scheduled visit to New Delhi later this month has spotlighted Moscow's mounting anxiety over India's apparent westward shift.

Possible Change

India's criticism of Russia's interference in Hungary was said to have added to Moscow's misgivings and fears of a possible change in Nehru's attitude towards the Eastern bloc.

The scheduled despatch of Zhukov, Russia's Defence Minister, shortly to New Delhi after the return of Nehru from his extensive talks with President Eisenhower is considered a highly significant move on the part of the Kremlin.

Zhukov's prestige is high abroad.

Zhukov may have been chosen also to explain the Red Army's intervention in Hungary on purely military grounds. His visit will follow the talks in Moscow between Chou En-lai and the Soviet leaders.

Soviet diplomats have given the clear indication that the Kremlin suspects "definitive motives" behind America's recent friendliness towards Nehru which could cut across Russia's plans and ambitions in Asia.

Soviet susceptibility has been sharpened by the setback which its diplomacy suffered in the Far East, and Southeast Asia as a result of her brutal aggression in Hungary.—United Press.

Aden Border Situation Worse

Aden, Jan. 2. The situation along the border of Yemen and the British Protectorate of Aden today was reported officially to have grown worse.

Major clashes were reported in four border Shakhdoms in western Aden. The report said that Yemen regular forces, assisted by Yemen and Aden tribes, have captured positions in western Aden.

The Nejd Madzar post in the Belhan Enklave was reported to have been attacked yesterday and fighting was still continuing. The Aden Government today banned the official Yemen newspaper, "Al Nusr", published in Taiz.

A Cairo report said the Arab League Secretariat announced today that the Yemen had asked that an emergency session of the League be held in Cairo on January 6 to discuss "increasing British aggression on Yemen's southern borders".—France-Press and Reuters.

Syria Opposed To Peace

Damascus, Jan. 3. Mr. Sabri El Assali, the Syrian Prime Minister, told Parliament in a policy statement today that Syria will "oppose the conclusion of peace with Israel."

Another point he made was that, under a "national charter," the country would "lighten the economic blockade of Israel."

Lost Gamble: Two Children Orphaned

New Delhi, Jan. 3.

Two children from Morababad, Punjab, became orphans today although both their parents are still alive.

The children's father gambled his wife away to another man without stipulating any agreement about the children.

The new husband declared he had won the wife but not the children, whom he took to a nearby orphanage.

The directors of the orphanage decided to keep the children until the case was settled legally.—France-Press.

Rebels Derail Train: Nine Killed

Oran, Jan. 3.

Nine European passengers were killed and two others were missing after an Algerian rebel band derailed and attacked the Oran-Railzane train last night near Hillil.

The victims included two children and three women, while the two missing were both women.

Three bodies were found immediately after the attack, while 10 others were listed as missing.

A search for the missing ones and the discovery of six other bodies.

Two of the missing were found unharmed.

The rebels sabotaged the tracks and opened automatic fire on the train as soon as it was derailed. The train escort fought off the attackers for four hours.

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VANISHING VICAR FINED £50

Falsifying Passport Charge

Liverpool, Jan. 3.

A vicar unfrocked by the Church of England for allegedly faking his death and committing adultery was described by his daughter in court here today as "an admirable father."

The ex-clergyman, Philip St John Ross, 52, was fined £50 and £20-0s costs on pleading guilty to making false statements in applying for a passport.

The prosecutor, Mr. P. M. J. Palmer, said Ross went on holiday to Wales in August, 1955. He disappeared in the sea and for some considerable period was presumed to be drowned.

The prosecutor said Mr. Ross had gone abroad on a passport in the name of Sidney Whalley Davies—one of his parishioners in Woodford, a small town in northwest England.

He told reporters "I have nothing more to say except that I am going to sue you."—China Mail Special.

WANTED MAN KILLED

Nicosia, Jan. 3.

The body of a Greek Cypriot found by security forces at Zoni village in southwest Cyprus yesterday was today identified as that of a man with a price of £5,000 on his head.

He was Michael Yorgallias, aged 29, who was wanted for escaping from a detention camp last September.

On New Year's eve, a patrol approached Yorgallias' house. The inhabitants fled, on the troops who returned the fire.

Later they found pools of blood near the house, but no trace of Yorgallias, until a body was found in the village cemetery yesterday.

It was presumed that Yorgallias was killed in the exchange of fire and was buried in the village cemetery where he was found.—France-Press.

Mr Ross An Admirable Father

He had applied for this passport using his own name as a minister of religion to recommend that it be granted to "Mr. Davies." He also granted that a photograph of himself was a true likeness of Mr. Davies.

The application was accompanied by a birth certificate of Mr. Davies which the vicar had acquired.

Mr. Ross, the prosecutor said, ultimately changed the name on the passport to "Davidson" so that he would elude newspaper correspondents who were chasing him in Switzerland. They had discovered that the presumably dead vicar was still alive.

Mrs. Sheila Bradburn, daughter of Mr. Ross, told the court that he was "an admirable father."

Asked if there are differences between her parents, she said: "No more than other parents."

The magistrate told the prosecutor: "I think it was most inadvisable of you to raise that matter."

The Bishop of Chester, who last month presided over the church court which unfrocked Mr. Ross, was among defence witnesses who testified to the good work Ross had done as vicar of Woodford.

The magistrate told Ross that he could have been fined for up to two years with a fine of £100 for the offence. But he was satisfied, there was no

Mrs Truman Has Fractured Ankle

Independence, Jan. 3. Mrs. Harry Truman, wife of the former President, fractured her left ankle in a fall at her home here yesterday. It was disclosed today.—United Press.

Big \$ Order For British Turboprops

The Hongkong representative of Vickers-Armstrongs Ltd announced today that Trans-Canada Airlines had placed an order for 20 turbopropellers valued at \$11,700,000. This is the biggest single dollar commercial order placed at one time in Britain since the war. The value of this order, together with spare parts, amounts to \$17,100,000. The Vickers-Armstrongs Ltd. is a much bigger supplier of British aircraft engines than the Vickers-Armstrongs Ltd. Trans-Canada Airlines have also taken an option on a further four Vickers-Armstrongs turbopropellers valued with spares at \$11,700,000. This is the biggest single dollar commercial order placed at one time in Britain since the war. The value of this order, together with spare parts, amounts to \$17,100,000. The Vickers-Armstrongs Ltd. is a much bigger supplier of British aircraft engines than the Vickers-Armstrongs Ltd. 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Interview

János Kádár, head of the present Hungarian Government, is pictured giving an interview in Budapest for the East German Communist Radio Service. The broadcast was linked with a press conference in which Mr Kádár gave his version of the situation as it now stands in his Soviet-occupied country.—Express Photo.

ANDREA DORIA DISASTER

Experts Criticise
Both Vessels

Washington, Jan. 3.

A group of maritime experts told Congress today that the Italian liner Andrea Doria, which sank in a collision with the Swedish ship Stockholm, met international safety requirements "by a very narrow margin."

In a report to the House Merchant Marine Committee, the group added that the Italian luxury liner "would have survived" if she had been in compliance with even stricter US safety standards.

The four experts were appointed by the House Committee to make a study of the collision off Nantucket which claimed 50 lives last July.

No Conclusions

They did not draw any conclusions as to which ship was to blame for the collision.

But the experts said that while the Andrea Doria apparently was built within the requirements of the 1948 International Safety Convention, her stability at the time of the accident "was substantially less than that envisaged by her designers."

The report said the ship could meet the stability requirements "provided she was kept ballasted with substantial and specified quantities of liquids in her various tanks."

The group said it could account for the "behaviour" of the ship immediately following the collision only "on the assumption that she was not in fact ballasted in accordance with this information at that time."

Serious Questions

The report said that US standards for both safety and stability of passenger vessels "are substantially higher than the current international standards."

It said evidence in the collision was enough "to raise serious questions" as to whether both ships were being "operated in accordance with the precepts of good seamanship and the provisions of the international convention for safety of life at sea."

It also questioned whether present construction standards are adequate.

Russian Ships
In PanamaPanama City, Jan. 3.
Two Russian ships went through the Panama Canal today in the advance guard of an unprecedented "flow" of Russian vessels expected through the waterway this month because of the blockade of the Suez Canal.

From 1949 until today only Soviet vessels had used the Panama Canal. Followed today and the end of January, more than 10 Russian ships are the first to pass through.

The ships are coming from the Russian Pacific coast. One of the ships, which went through today, is carrying Russian oil and other goods.

HATED STALINIST PURGED
IN HUNGARYMan Who Called
In Russian Tanks

Vienna, Jan. 3.

The hated Stalinist who called in Russian tanks to crush the Hungarian uprising has been purged from Hungary's Presidential Council, Budapest radio indicated tonight.

The man is Bródy Ottó, former Secretary-General of the Hungarian Communist Party and right-hand man of ousted Stalinist party boss Mátyás Rákosi.

Budapest radio listed Bródy among three top political figures who will "no longer be members" of the Presidential Council, top executive body in the land. Others ousted were Stalinist Erzsébet (Elizabeth) Andics and István Kovács, also a Stalinist and Secretary of the Communist party organisation.

Article Cited

Stalinist Budapest announced the Presidential Council purge by citing an article published in the new government-controlled afternoon newspaper Esti Hirlap.

The purge was apparently designed as a preliminary step in the expected move to make the leadership of battered Hungary more palatable to the people.

The Presidential Council has as its chairman István Dobi, himself a member of the Smallholders Party. Dobi is technically Hungary's chief executive. He has long been regarded as a fellow-traveller.

In another sign that moves were afoot to revitalize Hungary's political life, Budapest radio announced talks were underway to decide when Parliament should sit again.

In normal times the Hungarian Parliament has only met three or four times a year under the Communist regime. It last met some months before the start of the October 23 uprising.

Talks to decide when Parliament would sit again were going on between the President of Parliament and the Presidential Council, Budapest radio quoted Esti Hirlap as saying.

Announcement

It said a government announcement about the next meeting of Parliament was to be expected towards the end of this week or by January 15 at latest.

There was no indication as to whether Premier János Kádár's long-promised statement on government political and economic policy could be expected in the meantime.—United Press.

ALGERIAN
SITUATION
DISCUSSED

Paris, Jan. 3.

M. Guy Mollet, the French Prime Minister, talks on the Algerian situation tonight with M. Robert Lacoste, the French Minister residing in Algiers.

M. Lacoste arrived in Paris from Algiers by air and drove directly to the Prime Minister's residence to brief him on the latest situation in Algeria.

M. Mollet is holding talks with senior Cabinet Ministers as a preliminary to a debate on Algeria in the United Nations General Assembly later this month.

GUERRILLA WAR

There is no confirmation of persistent rumours here that M. Mollet will go to New York himself to present France's case.

Moslem nationalists in Algeria have been waging guerrilla warfare against French rule for the past two years. At the same time, leaders of 1,200,000 French settlers strongly resist any concessions being given to the territory's 8,000,000 Moslems at their expense.—Reuter.

Lollo Having
A Baby

Rome, Jan. 3.

The screen star, Gina Lollobrigida, announced tonight that she is expecting a baby.

The curvaceous, raven-haired idol of millions of movie goers blushing told a score of reporters at a press conference that she expected to have the baby next July.

"I hope it is a girl," she said.—United Press.

North Korea Not
Invited To
United Nations

United Nations, Jan. 3.

The United Nations political commission today decided, by 51 votes to 10, to invite a representative of the Republic of Korea (South Korea) to take part in the debates on the Korean problem.

There were 12 abstentions in the voting. The commission voted against sending a similar invitation to North Korea.

An Indian amendment to invite North Korea, in conjunction with the American motion to invite South Korea, was defeated by 40 votes to 20, with 11 abstentions.

UK Support

Sir Pierson Dixon, in the name of the United Kingdom, supported the American resolution for the inclusion of a South Korean representative.

He opposed the Indian resolution, calling for a North Korean representative, on the grounds that an invitation to North Korea would be "neither appropriate nor useful," as that regime has not shown due respect for the United Nations, and the presence of its representative in the Commission at this stage would not help towards a solution of the Korean problem.

The American representative, Edward Greenleaf, opposed the Indian amendment on the grounds that "North Korea has not purged itself of the crime of aggression."

India's representatives, Krishna Menon, and Arthur Lall, and Ceylonese representative, Gunawardene, strongly supported the move to send an invitation to North Korea.

They argued that the time had come to revivify the UN position in this matter and bring together the two Korean regimes to seek a constructive settlement of the Korean problem.

The views of the Indian and Ceylonese representatives were supported by Semyon Tsarapkin, Soviet representative, who asked for an end to the "discrimination against the Korean People's Republic" and committed South Korea for its declared intention to abrogate the armistice.

The Soviet delegate, and members of the Soviet bloc in the United Nations, said that only with the participation of North as well as South Korea could progress be achieved.

Japanese Support

The Japanese delegate, supported the American proposal to invite South Korea and suggested that the question of an invitation to North Korea might be discussed at a later stage.—France Press.

Re-Establishing
Wartime
Airfield
In MaldivesLondon, Jan. 4.
Britain is to re-establish a wartime airfield on Gan Island, an atoll in the Maldives Islands 400 miles southwest of Ceylon, a Commonwealth Relations Office spokesman said here today.

Gan, about one-and-a-half-quarters miles long and three-quarters of a mile wide, has a population of 500.

A 1952 Air Ministry survey of the island showed that the construction of an airfield to take the latest aircraft was a practical possibility.

RE-FUELLING POINT
Gan will serve primarily as a re-fuelling point for long-range aircraft such as the Bristol Britannia, but will also be valuable in emergencies.

It is understood there is no intention of developing the island as a base.

Informal questions however link the decision to establish the staging post with the Ceylon Government's termination of British bases on the island.

The Maldives with a population of over 93,000 are a British-protected state.—Reuter.

AFRO-ASIAN
CONFERENCE

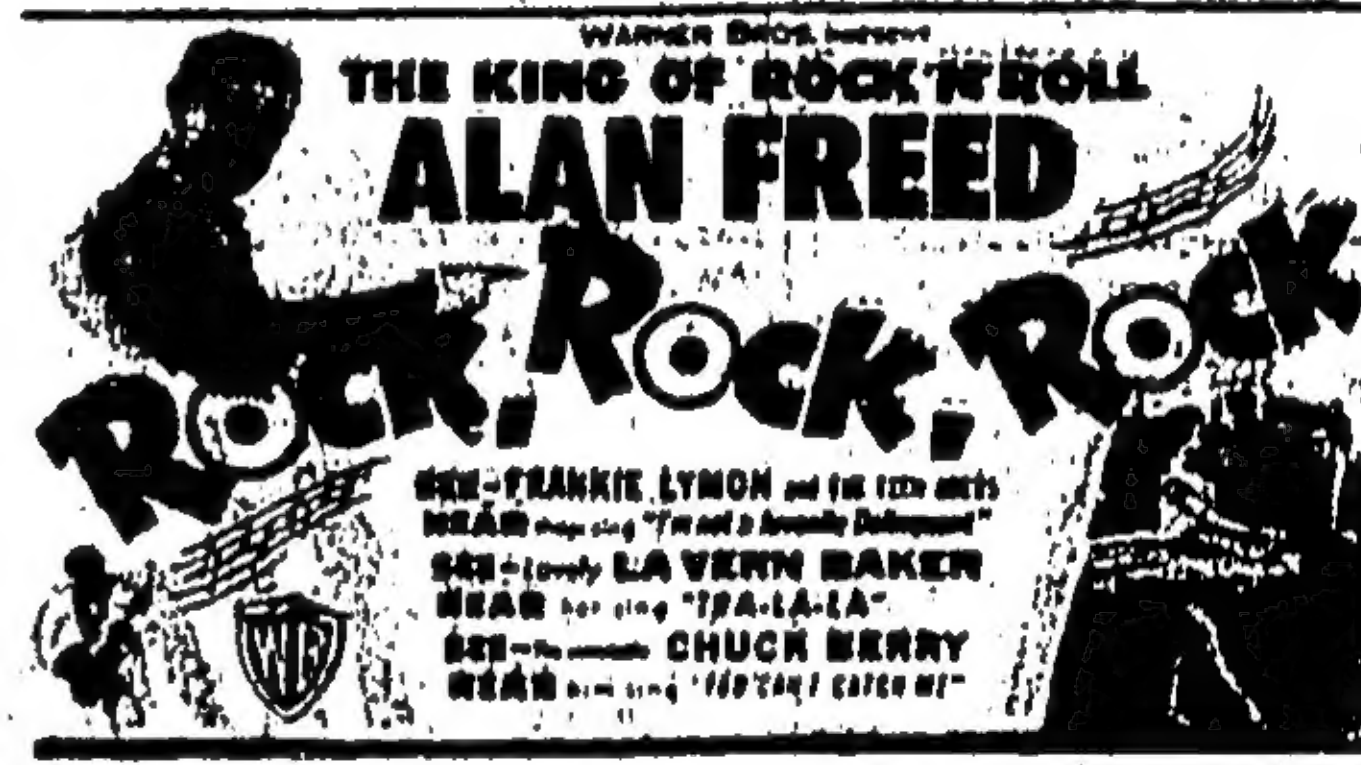
Bangkok, Jan. 3.

Ely Fahmy, Egyptian Ambassador to Thailand, said today that a second Afro-Asian conference would take place around the middle of the year in Syria.

The Ambassador made this statement during a Press conference.—France Press.

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1950 Declaration Remains

Earl Attlee's
Birthday



EARL ATLEE

London, Jan. 3. Earl Attlee, former Labour Prime Minister of Britain, celebrated his 74th birthday today—the eve of his departure to the United States for a three weeks lecture tour.

Lord Attlee, who resigned the Labour Party leadership last year, will take Lady Attlee with him on this flying trip to North America.

He has chosen as his lecture topic a subject on which he is one of the world's greatest authorities—"Commonwealth and the Constitution." For his was the moving figure in Britain's transfer of power after the war to India, Pakistan, Ceylon and Burma.—China Mail Special.

Tough Going In Weddell Sea

London, Jan. 3. The 600-ton Norwegian cargo ship Tottan, is nosing through thick pack ice in the Weddell Sea, the Royal Society said here today.

The ship's master Captain Lef Jakobsen, has reported to the Society that though he was in coastal waters it was "tough going" through the pack ice.

The Tottan is carrying stores for the society's International Geophysical Year expedition in the Antarctic.—China Mail Special.

As Allied Policy In Middle East

OBSERVERS' VIEWS ON EISENHOWER DOCTRINE

Washington, Jan. 3.

The United States has informed Britain and France it considers that the three-power declaration of 1950 remains as an instrument of allied policy in the Middle East, diplomatic sources said today.

This expression of Washington's view was given by Eisenhower Administration leaders to British and French diplomats here recently in an explanation of President Eisenhower's new plan to oppose Communist aggression in the Middle East.

Yugoslav, Polish Relations Improve

Belgrade, Jan. 3.

Yugoslav President Marshal Josip Broz Tito said today that relations between Poland and Yugoslavia had already attained a level which "opens up the best prospects for the strengthening and broadening of our collaboration in the future in all spheres."

Marshal Tito made this statement in an interview granted to the Polish television.

The recent negotiations in Warsaw between the Polish Labour Party leadership and the Yugoslav Union of Communists were of great importance for constructive collaboration between the two parties, Marshal Tito said.

REALISTIC VIEW

The joint declaration signed at the end of these negotiations "can make a positive contribution to a better understanding and a more realistic view in the relations between the countries which are building socialism," the Yugoslav President said.

He expressed confidence in the future of mankind because he said men had "reacted with bitterness to attempts to solve problems by force certain outstanding problems." —France-Press.

It was welcomed in allied circles as a heartening sign that the United States was preparing to modify the independent course it began when the Anglo-French attack on Egypt was launched and was preparing to resume close tripartite consultations on the Middle East.

The three-power declaration was a joint statement issued on May 25, 1950, at a time of extreme tension in relations between Israel and the Arab states.

Governments Pledged

It recognised the need of the Middle East nations for defensive arms, but it pledged the three governments to avoid an arms race in the region and to take appropriate action to assist the victims of aggression in the Arab-Israeli dispute.

The declaration was declared "admitted" by Britain and France as it applied to the Israeli invasion of Egypt last November and the Anglo-French decision to intervene with force in the Suez Canal zone to prevent the spread of hostilities.

Britain and France refused to declare Israel an aggressor in view of what Sir Anthony Eden, the British Prime Minister, described as Egyptian provocations.

Also, Soviet arms shipments to Egypt and Syria, the fear of Soviet intervention, and the Anglo-French dispute with Egypt over Suez have now emerged as the immediate crises facing the West.

No Answer

In some diplomatic circles here the 1950 declaration is being discussed in the light of President Eisenhower's imminent request to Congress for stand-by powers to use United States troops as he deemed necessary to oppose any act of Communist aggression in the Middle East.

The "Eisenhower doctrine" is viewed by independent observers here as a restatement and dramatization of American policy in the Middle East rather than a new undertaking. It may be a sign, observers add, that a more active policy is in the making. But for the present President Eisenhower's objectives in asking Congress for a special Middle East resolution are being analysed as follows:

1. Primarily, President Eisenhower wants to make it clear that although the United States opposed military invasion as a way of defending Western interests in the Middle East, these interests remain vital to US security, and Washington has not abandoned itself of its responsibilities in their defence. This is felt by many American officials as necessary at this time as a warning to Russia, and also as a corrective to impressions which may have been left in London and Paris as a result of US opposition to the British-French campaign against Egypt.
2. The President is seeking a special authority from Congress for a "blank check" to use American troops as he deemed necessary to oppose any act of Communist aggression in the Middle East.
3. Defining the Democratic position in the Middle East, the President is making a domestic political statement, and a statement of the President's view and of the President's

are making a point of this. To a large extent it would be the hands of those who are demanding an accounting of the confusion that has made a restatement of US policy necessary.

Intervention

According to advance information, Eisenhower intends to ask Congress for a stand-by (reserve) authority to use American military force, if necessary, to oppose Communist military aggression in the Middle East—in other words, to intervene against a Soviet military attack.

The generally accepted view is that the already has such authority as chief executive. But apart from the question of whether the President needs special sanction from Congress, his request is not regarded as representing a new policy.

It has long been assumed in American and other diplomatic quarters that an open Russian attack on any Middle Eastern country would bring about American intervention in line with specific and tacit US commitments in the cold war.

In any case, open Soviet attack is not seen as a real danger in the Middle East. The Soviet assault against the Western position in the Arab world is seen here as taking the form of political infiltration.

Against such tactics, it is generally agreed in Washington, expeditionary forces would be of little avail and would only serve to injure Western-Arab relations still further.

No Indication

Fears in the Middle East and Asia notwithstanding, there is no indication of any intention to dispatch US troops to the Middle East except in the case of a Soviet or other Communist attack from the outside, by regular troops or by "volunteers."

President Eisenhower's plan to ask for increased economic aid to the Middle East is regarded as a continuation of past attempts to find an economic solution for some of the Middle East's ills.

The programme envisaged, however, is not seen as representing a striking departure, in kind or in size, from programmes drawn up in the past but still born because of political difficulties. These difficulties are still there to be solved before any big American aid programme in the Arab world and the Holy Land can get underway, observers agree. Many of these problems will be tougher than ever to untangle as the result of the blowup in Egypt.—China Mail Special and United Press.

Immense Oil Resources In China

Paris, Jan. 3.

The discovery of immense oil resources during 1950 in certain smaller rock formations in many parts of China, was confirmed today at a conference now in session in Peking, the New China News Agency reported.

Eighty oil-bearing structures were located in well developed sedimentary regions, the oil prospecting conference was told.

Crude oil of industrial value is said to be in 2,000-square-kilometer area of Kilton Nor in the northern Shaanxi province. Rich natural gas fields were found in the same area, 20,000 square kilometers, said in the northern Shaanxi province.

Mrs. Envoy Goes Home



Mrs. Claire Luce, former US Ambassador to Rome, waves "an revoir" as she leaves for home by plane from the Italian capital. She is perhaps the most publicized US Ambassador's wife who has ever had, her political future is at the moment uncertain. She is a playwright and the wife of US publisher Henry Luce, who controls the Time-Life-Fortune group. —Express Photo.

Anglo-Malayan Talks Continue

London, Jan. 3.

British and Malayan Ministers met today to continue their finance conference after a five-day break in the talks at which Malaya is seeking economic assistance for the country's development after it becomes independent next August.

The Malayan Finance Minister, Colonel H. S. Lee, attended the meeting within a few hours of having a private discussion with Mr. Harold Macmillan, Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Well informed sources said that Colonel Lee had sought the talk with Mr. Macmillan because he felt that the finance discussions at the Colonial Office were progressing slowly and had become too involved in detail on an official level.

Promise

Mr. Macmillan promised Colonel Lee an early indication of government policy on what assistance Britain could give Malaya and in what form and manner. During the past 10 days of negotiations, the British delegate has mainly concentrated on putting searching questions and seeking clarification about their government's proposed five-year economic development plan.

The sources said that the next few meetings were likely to show the British reaction to the Kuala Lumpur Government request for aid and specially the outright grant and interest-free loan it is seeking from Britain. The amount of this has not been publicly disclosed.

The Malayan delegates hope that their talks at the Colonial Office will conclude by Wednesday next. Tengku Abdul Rahman, the Federation's Chief Minister and leader of the delegation, has already said that he saw no reason why his London mission should not succeed.

Dinner

Field-Marshal Sir Gerald Templer, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, and a former British High Commissioner for Malaya, is tonight giving a private dinner in honour of the Tengku.

This will enable them to discuss informally various aspects of defence questions concerning Malaya. The Tengku and Sir Alan Lequer-Bryer, the British Colonial Secretary, will meet with the Malayan delegates on August 31.

The Malayan Prime Minister, Dato Onn bin Yusoff, will be in London for the same purpose.

Imported Socialism Not For India

PRE-ELECTION SPEECH BY PREMIER NEHRU

Indore, Jan. 3.

Mr Jawaharlal Nehru, Indian Prime Minister, today warned against an imposition of socialism in India and mentioned events in Hungary to stress his point.

Addressing a committee of his Congress Party, Mr Nehru said the party would endeavour to establish in India a socialism which "emerges from the mind of India and must be suited to Indian conditions."

"We have seen how the imposition of Communist socialism in Hungary failed to find deep roots among the people despite the fact that for 10 or 12 years a Communist government remained in existence in that country."

New Light

Mr Nehru said the Hungarian people did not accept it "because communism or Communist socialism was not born from the soil of Hungary but was imposed on the people."

Incidents in Hungary had shown "new light" on the world "from which all should benefit."

He then touched on the "armed invasion by British and French forces" in Egypt and said this conflict was of a different kind. It had proved instructive and showed that "this kind of thing cannot be done in the world any more."

Referring to the Socialists' and Communists' approach to socialism in India, Mr Nehru said: "In Communist socialism or communism there is no democracy."

"I am quite firm in my conviction that we in India have to follow the democratic path in establishing socialism."

Mr Nehru said the committee that sometimes their "Socialist brothers" objected to the use of the term socialism by Congress. But this term was neither the preserve of the socialists nor the Communists.

Imprisoned In Cage

"If we go near our Socialist brothers they should be happy. Why should they become angry?" he asked.

Socialists and Communists "imprisoned in a cage of social terms" failed to realise that what Marx wrote was about conditions in Europe, especially Britain, 100 years ago. Many questions which were important then did not exist in the modern world.

The Communists, said Mr Nehru, were facing a dilemma. The ground on which they had firmly entrenched themselves was shifting from under their feet. Their methods, whether good or bad, had received a setback in certain parts of the world.

RED PLATFORM

Meanwhile in New Delhi the Indian Communist Party attacked the Government's internal policies as a whole, along with some elements of its foreign policy, in its newly published election manifesto.

The manifesto opened with the recognition of what it called a "radical transformation of the Indian Government's foreign policy," which it attributed to the awareness by the masses and by ruling circles of imperialist dangers.

This transformation was characterised by the refusal to enter into military alliances, opposition to colonialism, the establishment of friendly relations with Socialist states and efforts toward Asiatic unity, the manifesto said.

On internal policies, the document criticised the Government for failure to improve working conditions and for what it termed inadequate measures in the fields of health and education.

It said that contrasts between the rich and poor, which had been one of the most striking characteristics of Indian society under British rule, were even more striking under the Congress Party regime, with its "Socialist pretensions."

Denouncing "Bureaucracy, corruption and demoralisation in Indian public life, the manifesto declared that the second five year plan promised few changes other of a political or an economic nature.

Fight For Changes

The Communist Party said it would fight for changes in the plan. In particular, the manifesto demanded the development of the armaments, naval and aviation industries, to reinforce Indian security and independence.

It called for wider development of heavy industry, improvements in the conditions of peasants, free compulsory education to the age of 14 and for equality of rights and improvements in the social and economic status of women. —Reuter & France-Press.

Bangkok Oil Workers On Strike

Bangkok, Jan. 3.

Standard Vacuum Oil Company today started the "necessary preparations" to close their oil depot in Bangkok when striking workers failed to return on the mid-day deadline set by the company.

The strike has been in progress for 11 days, the workers making several demands, including the removal of the Thai supervisor placed over them.

The company resisted the demand as not being within the workers' rights. Previously the company had transferred a supervisor because of workers' objections. The company maintained that both men were competent. They had been specially trained for supervisory work.

Today Mr F. A. Peters, the manager for Standard, said the company preferred to close and engage new workers who they feared would be better than the men on strike. —Reuter.

Reunification Of Vietnam Planned

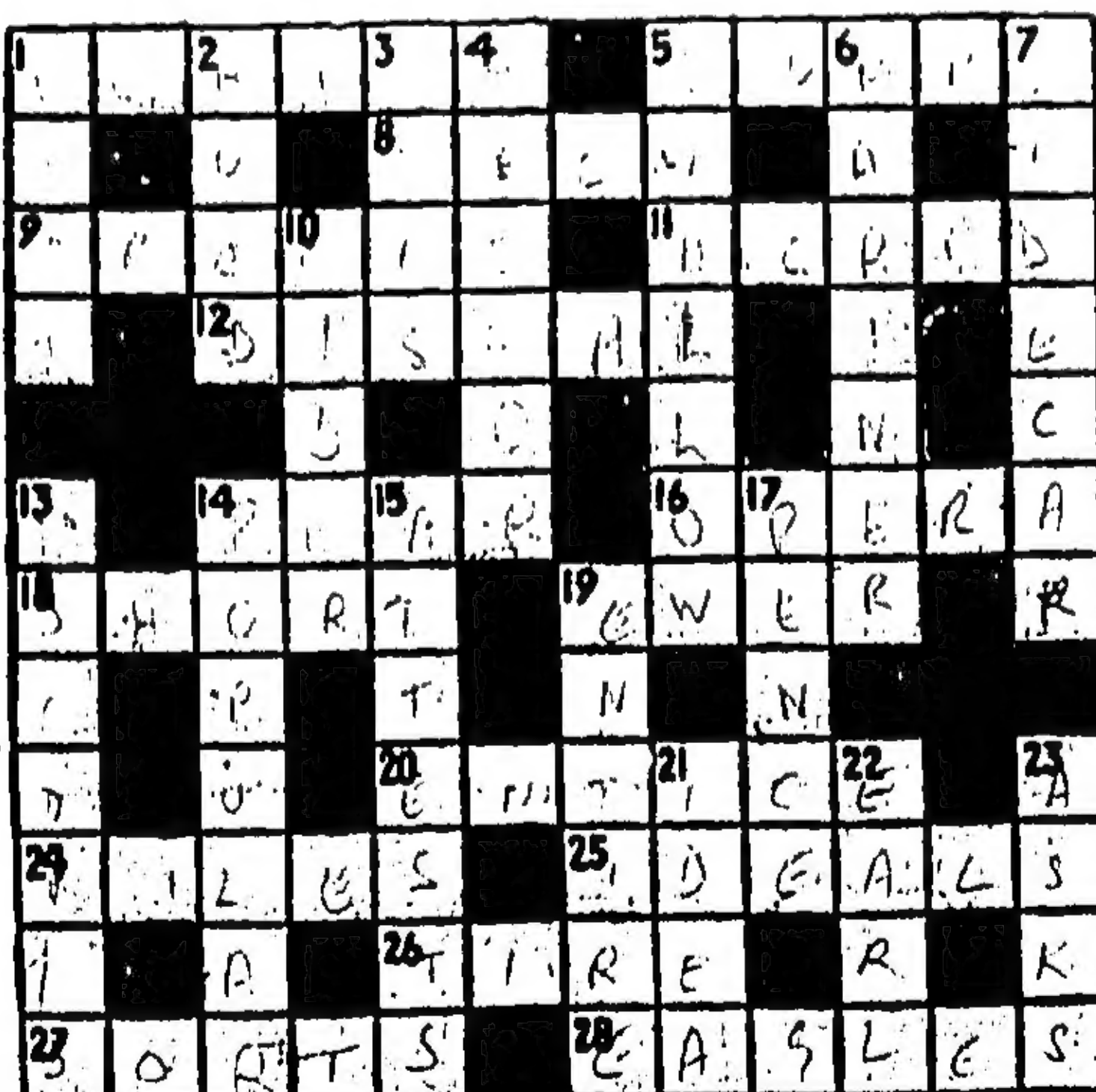
Hanoi, Jan. 3.

The Interim International Armistice Commission for Vietnam today reaffirmed its intention to work for the reunification of Vietnam on the basis of free elections, as laid down by the 1954 Geneva agreement.

The Commission's statement was contained in a report released here today. It was addressed to the French Minister of France and the US Secretary of State, in their capacity as a co-chairmen of the Geneva Conference on Vietnam, and also to the representatives of North Vietnam, South Vietnam, China, Cambodia and Laos, who were members of the Commission.

The report, which was the first since the Commission was set up in 1954, said the Commission was determined to work for the reunification of Vietnam on the basis of free elections, as laid down by the 1954 Geneva agreement.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- 1 Allow (6)
 - 2 Drains (6)
 - 3 Conceal (4)
 - 4 China (6)
 - 5 Pungent (6)
 - 6 Driest (6)
 - 7 Fruit (6)
 - 8 Musical work (5)
 - 9 Brief (6)
 - 10 Being disorderly we're in (4)
 - 11 Allure (6)
 - 12 Vices (6)
 - 13 Highest conceptions (6)
 - 14 Weakly (6)
 - 15 Separated into groups (5)
 - 16 Birds (6)
- DOWN
- 1 Nuisance (4)
 - 2 Regretted (4)
 - 3 Wading bird (4)
 - 4 Quake (6)
 - 5 Regular summer visitor by air (7)
 - 6 Sailor (7)
 - 7 Motor-cycle attachment (7)
 - 8 Bortrage (5)
 - 9 Retinues (7)
 - 10 In general favour (7)
 - 11 Bears witness (7)
 - 12 Coppery (5)
 - 13 Complete (6)
 - 14 Noddy (4)
 - 15 Nobleman (4)
 - 16 Requisite (4)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1. Barter; 2. Drains; 3. Conceal; 4. China; 5. Pungent; 6. Driest; 7. Fruit; 8. Musical work; 9. Brief; 10. Being disorderly we're in; 11. Allure; 12. Vices; 13. Highest conceptions; 14. Weakly; 15. Separated into groups; 16. Birds. Down: 1. Nuisance; 2. Regretted; 3. Wading bird; 4. Quake; 5. Regular summer visitor by air; 6. Sailor; 7. Motor-cycle attachment; 8. Bortrage; 9. Retinues; 10. In general favour; 11. Bears witness; 12. Coppery; 13. Complete; 14. Noddy; 15. Nobleman; 16. Requisite.

ANNE SHARPLEY IN BAGHDAD

I MEET A SHEIK
IN THE SUBURBS

Baghdad. A SHEIK living in a suburb sounds like the knell for Ethel M. Dell—or so I thought when a handsome lounge-suited young Arab asked me along to meet his uncle, Paramount Sheik of the 25,000-strong Tamim tribe. "He lives just on the edge of Baghdad," he said, and in my experience a suburb is a suburb the world over.

"Doom for Dell," I told myself as next day a vermillion American car bore me off into the beginnings of the sunset and the hawk-faced young man with what I had always been told were cruel eyes and crueler glittering teeth told me he was a lawyer.

But he was primarily interested in good works—welfare and free legal aid for his tribe. Along the smooth roads and through the suburbs of Baghdad, where only the dusty palm trees fight to establish a difference between this and Wehyn Garden City, we rocketed.

REGULAR MEETING

It was the time of the afternoon tribal meeting, when tribesmen commuting between their business in the city and the tribal ground outside call in to discuss their affairs with their chief. The nearby lanes were solid with Cadillacs, and the asphalt-coloured waters of the Tigris flowed past the shining bumpers of another row.

In this house the room had more chintz chairs in it than a Hollywood film on England, but they were all pushed against the walls, leaving in the centre a smart little glass table with one of those rows of little animals in a descending scale beloved the world over.

In this instance, hardly surprisingly, they were camels. Sat beneath his own life-sized coloured photograph was Sheik Hassan Al Suhail, and beside him his brother Ali, also a sheik. They were in sheik regalia with the shining gold

argal holding the white cloth of the cofa down over their brows. Dell's stock began to rise again. They were delightful men. With endless bows and greetings I was introduced round the room. It could have been a talent search for a Valentino revival—so many dark, flushing eyes, curling nostrils and flowing robes.

They were all brothers, sons, and nephews of the two sheiks sitting side-by-side on the chintz sofa. Our interpreter was the plump, frail voiced youngest wife of Sheik Hassan.

THE PRELIMINARY
At first came the formal courtesies, the compliments, the declarations of liking for the British. This has been the preliminary to every conversation I have had with an Iraqi. "First they must make it clear that they like us. Having got that settled, then they feel free to make the criticisms they feel we deserve."

The naked electric light that had burned in competition with the sunlight when I came into the room became a necessity as we talked softly and unceremoniously on, and we drank many cups of thick black coffee.

Then, as though it had been rehearsed for months, a tribesman in a black cloak and a sheepskin burst in carrying a pistol in a holster which he offers to his chief. "We are a warlike tribe, you know," says the chief as he unloads, then aims the pistol.

Reminded of his youth, Sheik Hassan talks of the days when there were only tents, camels and desert. "Then we were free, but now in the days of airplanes and hydrogen bombs you cannot feel free even in the desert any more, so why not live in Baghdad and be comfortable?" he asked.

STILL THE SAME

Reading my thoughts, or perhaps he has been reading Ethel M. Dell too, he added: "You know it has not made much difference, we are still the same."

Leave-taking is protracted and formal, and in the dark the white burnouses and teeth and eyes catch the light from the glimmering Tigris as they stand bowing farewell on the steps of the neat little villa.

MULTI-MILLION
OIL PIRACY
PLOT ARRESTS

From JAMES COOPER

A MULTI-MILLION dollar oil piracy plot may lead New York police to the solution of the two-year-old murder of international financier Serge Rubinstein.

Four men arrested by the Federal Bureau of Investigation are believed by the police to be part of a vast ring that stole from the Gulf Oil Corporation secret maps of locations of untapped oil deposits worth many millions.

Detecolives who have been trying since early 1955 to find Rubinstein's stranger are now convinced his death is tied to the map thefts. Just before his death Rubinstein was exploiting oil reserves in Canada, Central and South America.

Big-time gangsters put up money with which Gulf Oil workers were bribed to get copies of maps. When Gulf Oil went to lease oil properties they found pirates already drilling the liquid gold. And Rubinstein was threatened.

COAL FLEET: Sixty-nine more merchant ships are to be taken out of the U.S. mothball fleet to carry more coal to Britain and Europe because of increased demand through the oil shortage.

SUCCESS on Broadway comes to another British actress. Brenda de Banzie, "cool as a duchess" and "considerably sweeter," got most of the praise after the premiere of the new shudder play, "Speaking of Murder." A long run is forecast.

MISSING from the stage when 47 of Washington's 48 foreign diplomats watched President Eisenhower switch on 5,500 lights on a 97th Christmas tree outside the White House—Hungary's representative.

VOODOO rites are blamed for breaking up the marriage of America's "Singing Sweetheart," Mrs. Victor Young, and her 12-year-old husband, who was killed in a plane crash.

California, on the grounds that he stuck pins in dolls named after her relatives and hypnotized their six-year-old daughter Kathleen into doing the same.

MOST ELIGIBLE bachelors for 1957, announced by Hollywood Bachelor Girls' club today, included—the Duke of Kent, a young actor, John Saxton, the F.B.I. chief, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, and UNO's Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld.

OIL—250 tons of it—was poured out of the liner America (26,300 tons) to reduce 40ft. waves in a 65-mile an hour wind in mid-Atlantic while five doctors performed a perilous sea operation on a crew member.

WARNING against tranquilizing drugs—"happy pills" that account for three prescriptions, says Dr. Lawrence C. Collier, former head of the U.S. mental health service: "They are physically more harmful than morphine or heroin and some cause diseases and skin trouble."

TO BE CONTINUED... says a Western serial in Collier's magazine just out. But the hero seems destined to be left wounded in the middle of a night for ever.

This is the last issue of the 60-year-old magazine. Advertising revenue is not enough to keep it going, the owners say.

MARLENE DIETRICH changed her mind at the last moment about signing for a TV series. She says: "I don't want to be a serial queen and give up my freedom."

REQUEST from America: Space in Bermuda for an additional defence base—for a big communications centre and radar station.

STARE FOR STARE—when two women drivers collided trying to get on a one-way bridge at Hopewell, New Jersey. Both were red-haired, their coats were identical, and their red-and-black cars. And both were named I summerville.

SHUT UP, YOU ANTI-AMERICANS! WASHINGTON TREATS US VERY WELL



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We can criticize great American institutions—under the very nose of the occupying Power!



We are not abruptly deported to the great wastes of California.



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And the English are still allowed to hold on to their Empire.

SHOW
SPOTLONDON SEES THE FILM
A CARDINAL BANNEDBY LEONARD
MOSLEY

... this is Tennessee Williams at his sleaziest

"BABY DOLL," the new and already notorious film from America, was given a "sneak preview" in the West End of London this week.

I was in the audience. And at the end of two hours I felt as if someone had been wiping my forehead with a dirty dishcloth.

"Baby Doll" will have its European premiere at the London Pavilion. It is definitely not an entertainment for children.

This is the film which Cardinal Spellman has already decided is forbidden for any Roman Catholic in America, and he has told them it will be considered a sin if they try to see it.

The British censor has given it an X certificate. (Not for children.)

And what about this hard-crusted critic—did it raise any moral hackles in me?

DECAY

Well, I have to confess that it depressed and degraded me, rather than shocked or excited me. I have been to sensational shows in my time which have boiled me up with fury or frozen me with horror.

I don't know quite why "Baby Doll" affected me as

it did for its creators are distinguished enough. Its author is Tennessee Williams, one of America's most exciting playwrights.

Its producer-director is Ella Kazan, who directed Williams's famous play, "A Streetcar Named Desire."

Its star is a wickedly clever blonde with an angel face named Carroll Baker.

They combine their considerable talents to make "Baby

Doll" into the most expertly degrading film of the year. It is an inspired study in human decay.

Everyone and everything in "Baby Doll" starts decaying from the moment the picture opens.

CHILD BRIDE

The girl in the picture (you can hardly call her the heroine) is at that moment lying in her cot in a room she calls her nursery. She is Baby Doll, and she is what is known in the

Deep South as a Child Bride.

A few feet away her husband ("husband" is boring holes in the wall to spy on her. She hears the rasp of his screw-driver and dashes out, shouting—

"There's a word for your sort—Fucking Tom!")

It is that sort of marriage. The house in which they live is falling down. The company moments have, for me, the has taken their furniture away mould of decay upon them.

because they are behind on the instalments. The girl is filled with half-understood yearnings. The husband is middle-aged and suffering from nerves.

And into this house of nerves and frustration stamps a virile Sicilian screaming hatred at Baby Doll's husband.

The result is a sleazy, sinful mess. I doubt if there has been a better female performance for a long time than that of Carroll Baker as the cherub-faced slut who doesn't know what she wants but instinctively knows how to get it.

Karl Malden is a study in human swamp-life as the avid but rootless husband.

Ella Kazan, as the Sicilian intruder swings through this sexual jungle like an ape with four arms, so that he never stops beating his breast even when swinging from a tree to tree.

Some parts of this film are, believe it or not, funny. Some parts are as raw as meat. But even the "meanest" moments have, for me, the mould of decay upon them.

... and the author says:
"I didn't write it for money"

By ALAN BRIEN

THE controversy about the Warner Brothers' film, "Baby Doll," which I learn is now breaking out in England, has been raging here for the past week.

Following Cardinal Spellman's statement that the film could be visited by Roman Catholics only "under pain of sin," Ella Kazan, the director, issued a formal statement but refused to elaborate. Carroll Baker, the star, is too busy expecting a baby to talk much about the film.

Only author Tennessee Williams, sitting through a cold and windy New York on his way from the warm South, could be caught on the wing for extended comment.

After a day spent by the telephone I was invited to visit the studio, mounted on No. 1 American playwright at his day

in a red-bricked East Side block in the early hours of this morning.

He was wearing pale pink pyjamas under a pastel-blue light dressing-gown. And he was watching a Western on his large screen television set, with the sound switched off.

"It's so much more amusing this way," he said, pouring me a screwdriver of vodka and orange juice—Manhattan's most fashionable drink of the moment. I did not inquire whether he was referring to the pyjamas, the television or the cocktail.

OLD MEMORIES

The author of "Streetcar," "Rose Tattoo" and "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" could not remember offhand what state of mind he had been in when he wrote "Baby Doll."

"I guess I made some pointed remarks," he said, leaning back with a Bachman drink. "I don't think I'll remember them. I should take the protection of the public to attack a film."

"This whole thing was a surprise to me. An artist has to comment on life as he finds it. And that's all I did."

In his days of unsuccess, 42-year-old Tennessee Williams had held a series of night jobs as liftman, waiter and cinema usher, and the cold, wet darkness outside seemed to stimulate him to talk.

He stretched like a huge cat in human clothes from a children's comic. "I don't really like screenwriting just because of this censorship problem. Your subject matter is cut to the bone. You eventually have to falsify your attitude to life."

"In 'Baby Doll,' I didn't mind so much removing the sadness of the play. But it was too much when I was not allowed to have the lover seduce the wife. I tried to find a respectable equivalent for the screen. But why can't I find a respectable equivalent for a seduction?"

Williams went on to say that today the cinema banned too many of the subjects which ought to be treated by adult writers. "And believe it or not, I've

I don't write for money, don't even write to shock people. I write because I have to write, and in three or four or perhaps five plays, I think I have said things which have deeply needed saying."

MANY SUBJECTS

We discussed a number of subjects from Shakespeare ("basically he is writing thrillers") to the film Williams recently scripted in Italy, "The screenplay turned out rather badly," I thought, but eventually, like every Londoner and New Yorker, we ended up discussing London and New York.

"In New York I always seem to be wearing blinkers. That's nothing for a southerner to write about. On the other hand I like Europe."

"No one knows me there. And that's the pressure on me to be respectable."

We caught each other's eye and frowned at the same moment. It was a velvet morning. And I took my writers. "And believe it or not, I've

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YOUR BIRTHDAY By STELLA

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4

BORN today, you have an abundant supply of energy and a keen mind which works with an uncanny intuition to produce exceptional results. Yet you appear, especially in youth, to lack concentration on an objective—that element so necessary to material success in life. Still, you have the happy faculty of being able to make money without appearing to work for it. Things, at times, come to you much too easily. For self-discipline, it might be better if you found a little more difficult to achieve success. Try to take life just a little more seriously.

If you were to enter the field of scientific experimentation, it is possible that you would make a discovery which could greatly influence the race in which you live. You have the inquisitive and investigative nature which enjoys discovering new ways and means of doing things. A new idea may be born in your mind, and no matter what others think, you will defend it until you can prove your point. This only goes to show that

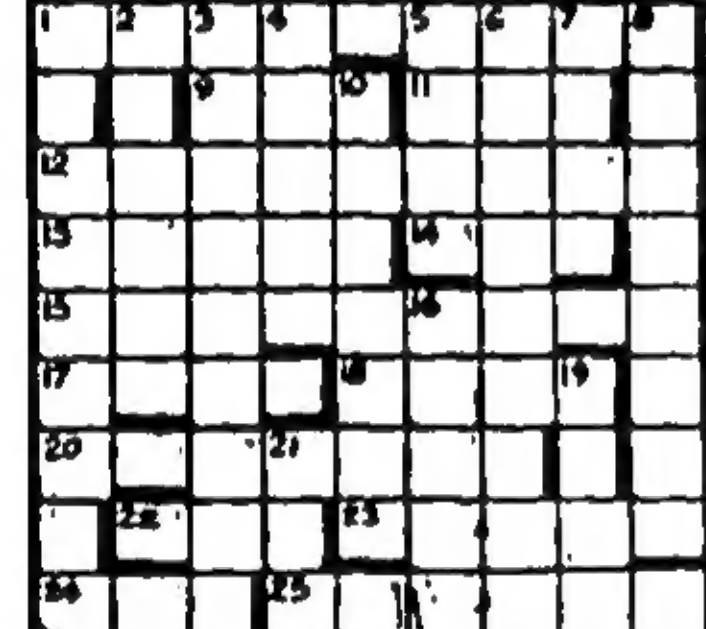
SATURDAY, JANUARY 5

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—You could make that friendly loan you have been postponing lately if convinced that the collateral is adequate now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Either active or spectator sports may appeal to you this afternoon as evening is a pleasant way of relaxing tensions.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—There is a heavy in making an important decision. Take more time and you will be more sure of your judgment.

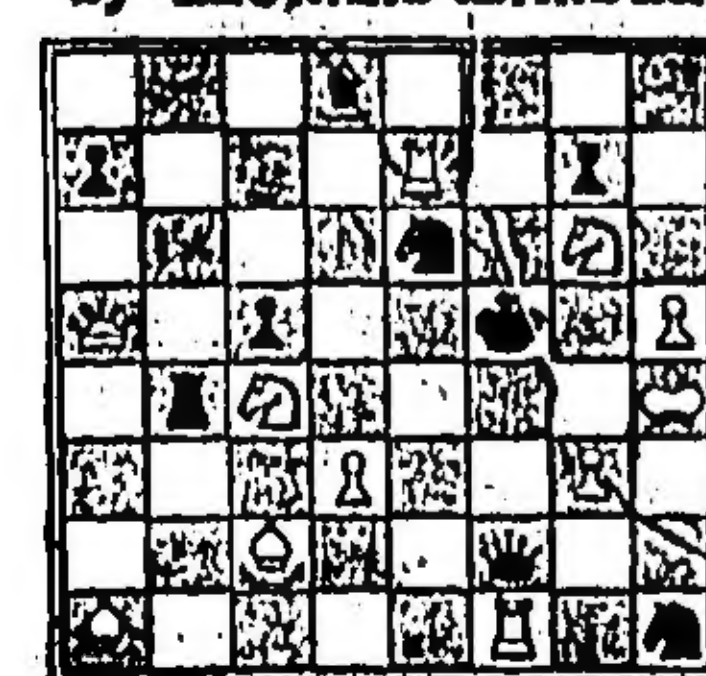
Small crossword



1. Hate drugs—I should think they do. It will bring up (9)
2. All you women are! Across of her (5)
3. River, bear, bones? (9)
4. Quotable bird (5)
5. Tended without Ted (3)
6. This is a cod (4)
7. Doing word (4)
8. Early messenger manager (4)
9. The money is sudden (11)
10. The start of the season (3)
11. Searcher (5)
12. They say it is manufactured at Westminster (5)
13. They stand out among the architecture (6)
14. Driven pig otherwise (9)
15. A word without this you frequent wartime announcement (11)
16. There may be more than one but it is a heavenly affair (9)
17. The chairman's mail (5)
18. It's a talk when doubled with a link (4)
19. A fine line somewhere between on these (6)
20. When broken this is worthless (4)
21. Heeded for an inoccasionally (8)
22. Frigate (7)
23. The bird of June to an old-fashioned (11)
24. A word in a word (4)
25. A word in a word (4)

CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN



A problem by J. Zaido (Stratford Express, 1950). White mates in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. KxKRP, BxKt; 2. RxB, BxR; 3. BxP, KxBP; 4. RxB, QxR; 5. RxB, KxB; 6. QxQ; 7. BxQ; 8. KxB; 9. QxQ; 10. KxB.

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

MR JUSTICE COCKLE-CAHOT decided yesterday to adjourn the wit case in order to give time for the taking part to find out what it is all about.

In an unguarded moment Cockle-cahot said, "Why should anyone care a straw whether an aquarium attendant is bald or not? Surely there must be more in the case than this?" He then expressed the hope that counsel would use the interval before the resumed in pursuing their inquiries, with a view to coming to the point, and eliminating all the legal chatter which had made a mockery of every hearing so far.

Judge's position, he said, "is intolerable if neither counsel deigns to explain what he is driving at. So chaotic has this case become that a fellow-judge told me at lunch that he thought, at one time, that the whole thing was part of a court-scene for a film."

An interesting thought

SOME antiquated sportsman, who will quickly be told that he is living in a medieval ivory tower, has said that a universal famine would be a blessing to mankind. One moment's thought should have convinced him that without oil most of the magnificent progress made in methods of warfare would be lost. Travel by road would become so safe that it would lack all spirit of adventure, and even in peacetime the only things of interest in the air would be useless birds. And America would be dreadfully far away.

Twenty Years of Upgroar

R. singing the aria, "Lo! I sound like the lark," in a hall which had been used for a pantomime. She was standing on the Demon King's tripod, which opened, and down

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Cheap Trick Proves Costly

By OSWALD JACOBY

AN unusual defensive play in shown in today's hand, contributed by Harry Goldwater, better known as a great tournament director rather than as a player.

West opened the deuce of hearts, and declarer played the ten from dummy. Goldwater played the four of hearts instead of covering dummy's ten with his jack. This seemingly innocent play had a far-reaching effect.

South liked the idea of winning the first trick cheaply, so he let dummy's ten of hearts hold. This was exactly what Goldwater had in mind when he refused to cover the ten of hearts.

When diamonds were led, Goldwater refused the first two

NORTH		8
♠ 10 4 3		
♥ Q 10 3		
♦ K Q 10 9 4 2		
♣ 5		
WEST		
♠ Q 8 2		
♥ K 8 2		
♦ 8		
♣ 10 7 4 3		
EAST		
♠ K 9 5		
♥ J 9 4		
♦ A 7 3		
♣ J 9 8 2		
SOUTH (D)		
♠ A J 7		
♥ A 7 5		
♦ J 9 5		
♣ A K Q 6		
North-South vul.		
South	West	North
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♠
2 NT	Pass	3 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♥ 2		

tricks. He took the third diamond trick and returned a heart.

South could get one further heart trick with his ace, but he couldn't get to dummy for the rest of the diamonds. South therefore wound up with only eight tricks, losing his game contract.

There would be a different story to tell if East covered the ten of hearts with the jack at the first trick. South would win with the ace of hearts and go after the diamonds. Declarer would eventually have to lose one of the small hearts to dummy, and he would surely get to dummy with the queen and thus be able to cash the rest of the long diamonds.

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:
South West North East
1 Heart Pass 3 Clubs Pass

You, South, hold:
♠ A K J 9 8 7 5 4 A 8 2
What do you do?
A—Bid four clubs. The fit in partner's suit may be the key to a slam.

TODAY'S QUESTION
The bidding is the same as in the question, just answered. You, South, hold:
♠ A K J 9 8 7 5 4 A 8 2
What do you do?
Answer Tomorrow

WOMANSENSE

Salads Are Refreshing After Holiday Feasting

By IDA BAILEY ALLEN

DURING the weekend, be sure to serve plenty of raw vegetable salads. These offer refreshing crispness, fresh flavour and a welcome contrast to the holiday rich foods.

Let each person select his own portion from the salad bowl and enjoy salad as is, with a dusting of seasoned salt, or dressed to taste with salad oil and lemon juice.

Dinner

Spiced Tomato Juice
Roast Beef
Pan-Fried Potatoes
Brussels Sprouts
Salad Bowl of
Raw Vegetables
Seedless Grape Gel
Coffee Tea Milk

At the best oyster bars, oyster stew is always made partly with clam juice, for added flavour. Oysters and clams are often butter-sautéed and served on toast with sauce tartare, or used as a garnish to a thick swordfish steak.

In New England, oysters and clams are often escalloped together.

All measurements are level. Recipes Proportioned to Serve 4 to 6

Escalloped Oysters and Clams:
Make 3 c. rich white sauce, using a standard recipe.

To 1½ c. add 1 pt. small shucked oysters. To the remaining sauce, add 1 pt. shucked clams.

Next, to 1½ c. soft enriched bread crumbs, add 3 tsp. melted butter and 1 tsp. minced parsley.

Arrange the oysters, crumbs and clams in alternating layers in a buttered 3-pt. low casserole. Make the top layer crumbs.

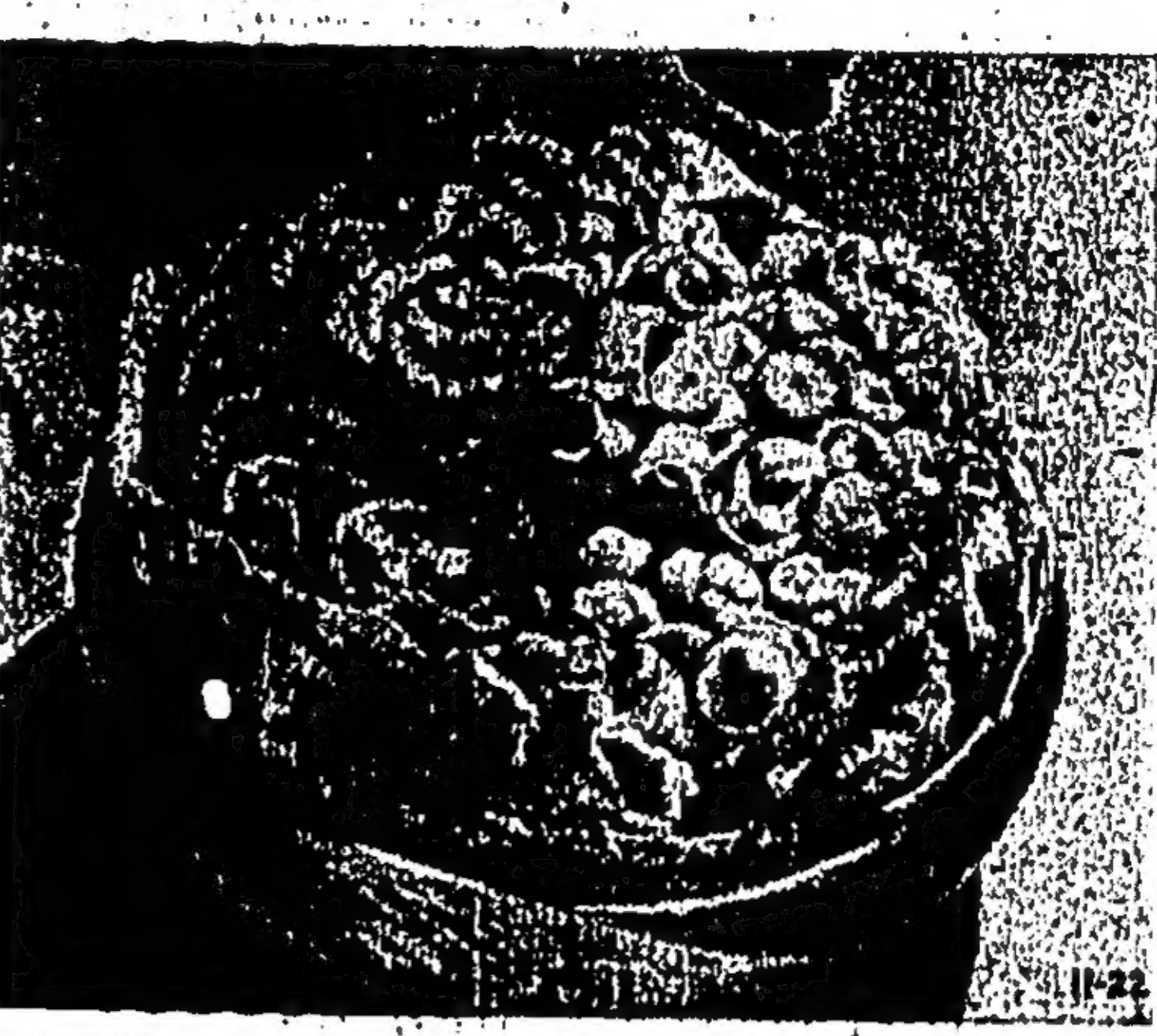
Bake in a moderate oven, 350° to 375° F., about 35 min., or long enough to cook the oysters and clams and brown the crumbs.

If you like, dust the top with 2 tsp. grated Parmesan cheese, before baking.

Tomorrow's Dinner

Tomato Relish Salad
Escalloped Oysters and Clams
French-Fries Green Peas
Cocoanut Tapioca Puff
Coffee Tea Milk

Tomato Relish Salad: Wash and slice 2 medium-size fresh tomatoes. Spread the slices with mayonnaise. Top with thin slices raw onion. Dust with salt and pepper. Garnish with a little pickle relish.



TO PERK UP APPETITES jaded by too many holiday goodies, serve a salad bowl of mixed fresh raw vegetables.

Serve individually, 1 or 2 slices in a nest of lettuce or cross.

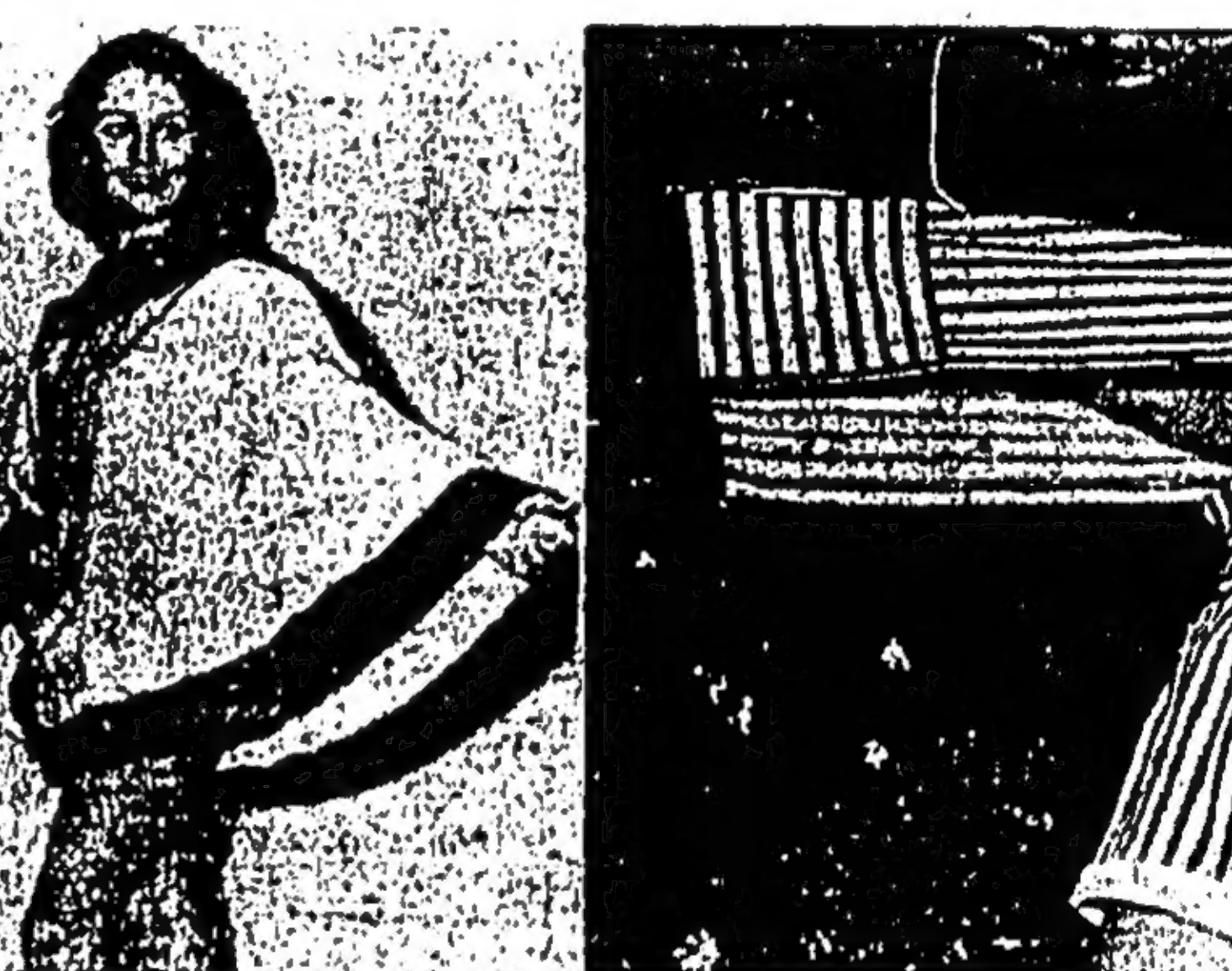
Cocoanut Tapioca Puff: Scald 3 c. milk. Stir in 1/3 c. quick-cooking tapioca. Cook-stir 5 min. or until clear. Stir in ½ c. shredded or flaked cocoanut.

Separate 2 eggs. Beat the yolks light. Mix with 1/3 c. sugar and 1/3 tsp. salt. Stir into the cooking tapioca. Stir 1 min.

Beat the 2 egg whites stiff. Fold into the tapioca. Chill. Serve plain or with whipped cream, chocolate sauce, or half-thawed frozen raspberries.

Suggestion of the Chef

Combine cooked Brussels sprouts with dried cooked carrots. Add butter and seasoned salt to taste.



Two pictures of costumes seen in recent London fashion shows. The cotton beach robe on left was featured in a show by the Maskit Israel Village Craft, who supervise the manufacture of clothing in villages throughout Israel; on right is "Criterion", a red-and-white striped towelling slip-over with matching shorts and bra, displayed at a spring collection.—Express.

"...BUT I HAVE NO TALENT!"

By ANNE HEYWOOD

HAVE you ever felt real envy?

Unless you're an insensitive type, it's a pretty horrible feeling.

You're trying to be happy over someone else's good fortune and, instead, you feel miserable. You wish you had the good luck. You begin to dwell on how, after all, she doesn't deserve it, she's not that much better than you.

Next thing you know, you find yourself almost hating her. Then your conscience hurts. First thing you know, you're in a real state.

It happens a great deal more than we'd like to admit. While novels deal almost exclusively with the envy a woman feels when another woman gets a dream man, my work brings me into contact with another kind of envy. It's the kind a woman feels when another woman gets a better job, or more money, or more prestige, or more creative self-expression.

"My neighbour makes all her own clothes. They are stunning," a woman will write me. "And here I am, with no ability at all."

Or, "Mary got the nicest part-time job. I try to be happy for her but I keep thinking, 'Why not me?'"

Or, "I try to be happy for Sue. She is the best cook.

People just—long for an elevation to her dinner parties. Nobility feels that way about mine."

It always reminds me, in reverse, of that grisly little maxim of La Rochefoucauld's: "In the misfortune of even our dearest friends, there is something not entirely displeasing."

The answer is not, it seems to me, to develop more virtue, to force yourself into a spurious happiness for your lucky friend. That requires a degree of sainthood most of us don't have. The answer is to find some talent of your own, which will enable you to shine. When you're expressing yourself creatively, you no longer envy the other person. In fact, you can be truly happy for her.

What suppose you have no talent at all? I'm just an ordinary person, with nothing I really love or do well? Is a typical answer—and it's wrong.

I have known many hundreds of people. I have yet to find one without a talent. It may not be a flashy one, or a self-evident one, but no human creature exists without something they can do well, and happily.

The clue is always in our interest because deeply embedded in each of us is something that really fascinates us. You just have to keep digging until you find it.

The first step is to face, absolutely and without doubt, the fact that you do have such an interest.

The second step is to watch yourself like a hawk as you go about your day. See what activities you really enjoy. It may be something silly or seemingly unimportant but it is the germ of your own particular talent.

A New Method To Prolong The Life Of Flowers

New York. THE Federated Garden Clubs of New York State recommends a new method for prolonging the life of flowers.

The recommendation is possible, through a special and easy drying process, to keep a bouquet, a couple of years.

Here's how the process works: Pick flowers at their peak of perfection to retain form and colour. Then fill a large, shallow box with powdered borax. Strip off leaves. Wire each flower by gently pushing the wire into the flower head and through the stem. Then sprinkle each flower lightly with the borax and place head down in borax in the box. Cover completely and leave in a cool, dry place from two to four days, depending on fullness and texture of the blossoms.

Then remove and put in vases without water.

Dried flowers also may be used in corsages and hat decorations.

These flowers are washable, too. Remove dust by spraying gently with water and let drain.

—United Press.

Household Hints

Washable silk becomes weak in water so all sheen should be rubbed or twisted. Squeeze from the suds and rinse water.

When tinting garments in the washing machine, wring the wringer rolls in aluminium foil to keep them from becoming stained.

Clothespins will last longer if they are washed in salt water before use. The treatment also prevents freezing to the clothes in cold weather.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

McSnooze's Good Deed

—Knarf Convinces Him It Could Be Fun—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the shadow boy with the turned-about name, had gone around to O'Cheer Hall in the Old Oak, which was where the Pixies lived. Even as he was going down the hill toward the Old Oak he heard the sound of loud voices:

"Pikie O'Scowl and Pikie McSnooze are quarrelling again," Knarf said to himself. "I wonder what they're fighting about this time."

He found out a moment later.

On The Doorstep

He found Pikie O'Scowl pacing angrily up and down as Pikie McSnooze sat disconsolately on the doorstep of O'Cheer Hall, holding his head in his hands.

"Of all the lazy, good-for-nothing, time-wasting Pixies in the whole world, you're the absolute worst!" Pikie O'Scowl was muttering. He shook his finger warningly under Pikie McSnooze's nose. "You'll come to no good," he said.

"Here, what's going on between you two?" Knarf asked. "Pikie McSnooze just looked up and shook his head. Pikie O'Scowl, however, wanted no time explaining what was wrong.

A Good Deed

"Pikie," he said, "have all ways done a good deed. It's true that now and then they steal a bit of cream off the top of a bottle of milk or take a drop or two of honey from a honeycomb—but most of the time they more than make up for these little faults by doing a lot of good."

Knarf asked what good things the Pixies did.

"All kinds of good things," said Pikie O'Scowl. "They bring in firewood. They mend socks. They pick up pine-needles like that."

Knarf sat down next to Pikie McSnooze.

"You can have a lot of fun washing clothes," he said. "You can float things in the water. You can splash around. Besides," he said, "you're so small that you can go sliding down the washboard. You can go sailing on a cake of soap."

Pikie McSnooze began to smile for the first time that day.

It ended up with Knarf walking Pikie McSnooze to the house at the end of the road. Looking through the keyhole they could see the pile of washing waiting at the tub.

"Doesn't look like much at all," said Knarf.

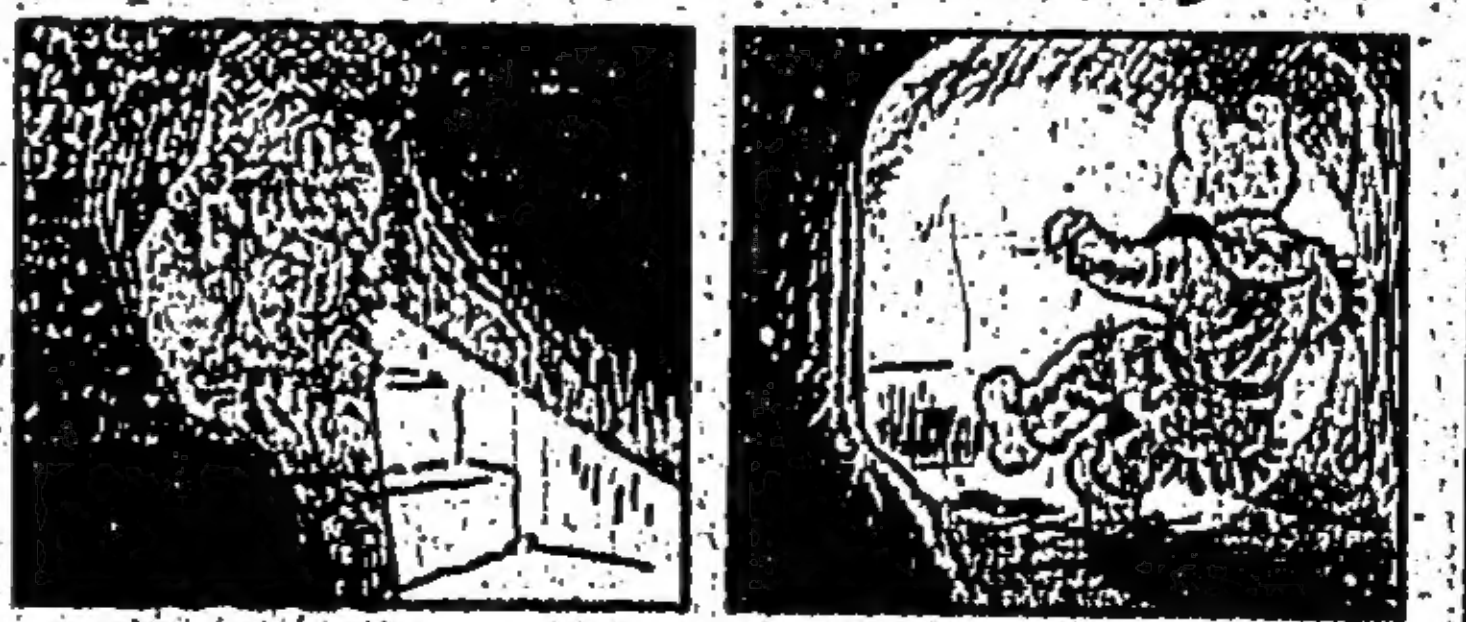
"I'll have it done by morning," said Pikie McSnooze.

The Most Fun

So he slipped in under the door... and all night long he rubbed and scrubbed and splashed—and also he slid down the washboard and sailed around on the cake of soap and had the most fun in the world.

He hung the clothes on a line spun by a spider. The clothespins were creaks who held the clothes with their feet.

Rupert and the Old Chimney—21



After resting a moment on the platform, Rupert continued steadily downward. "These steps seem steeper than when I came up," he thinks. And, look, there's another little landing. Where ever am I? There must have been two lots of stairs leading down from that platform and I've taken the wrong set. These don't seem to lead anywhere. Before turning to go back he steps on to the lower landing. Immediately, to his dismay, the floor gives way under him and he feels himself falling, falling, falling.



Looking through the keyhole, they saw the pile of wash.

When the lady who lived in the house came down in the morning to do her wash she found it all washed and dry and even ironed.

"What a wonderful thing," cried the woman, clapping her hands with joy. "Someone has washed and dried and ironed my clothes! I wonder who did it."

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San Francisco, Jan. 3.

Californian culture, represented by the
San Francisco ballet, will be shown to the
world during the first three months of
1957.

Youthful and daring in its
modern interpretations of the
classical principles of ballet, the
troupe will leave here on
January 7 for a tour of the Far
East and the Middle East.

They will arrive in Hongkong
on January 10 and give four
performances before leaving for
Rangoon on January 25.

The company, the oldest in
the United States, was estab-
lished in 1932, as an auxiliary to
the San Francisco Opera. For
more than 20 years, its fame was
regional. Then, last summer, it
ventured into the metropolitan
arena of the Atlantic coast, and
won the praise of critics who
agreed that it was "a national
asset." As a result, the Inter-
national Exchange Programme
of the American National
Theatre and Academy, in co-
operation with the Government,
is sponsoring the tour.

YOUTH HALLMARK

The hallmark of the company
is youth. Igor Stravinsky has
described its members as "in-
decently young." Their average
age is 19.8 years.

The leading ballerinas, Nancy
Johnson, aged 24, and Sally
Bailey, aged 23, are considered
the "matrons" of the group.
Conrad Ludlow, the most
promising of the male dancers,
is 21. Three members of the 18-
member group are only 16.

Most of the dancers are natives
of California. They have been
picked for the company after
intensive competition among
the students of "ballet companies"
in 21. Three members of the 18-
member group are only 16.

The ballet company is the
result of the drive and energy
of the Christensen brothers,
Harold, Lew, and their adminis-
trative predecessor, William.
Harold Christensen is director
of the school. Lew Christensen
is manager of the company.

William Christensen was asso-
ciated with the enterprise for
more than 20 years and is now
a member of the teaching staff
of the University of Utah, at Salt
Lake City. He is the only full
professor of ballet in the United
States.

VITALITY

Lew Christensen has created
most of the ballets which the
company performs. He is
credited with bringing vitality
to the centuries-old art and,
critics say, has captivated
audiences by the imagination
and ingenuity of his ballets.

In addition to the work of Lew
Christensen, the company in-
cludes in its repertoire examples
of the work of George Balan-
chine, of the New York City
Ballet. He is considered to have
had more influence on American
ballet than any other choreo-
grapher.

The company performs to the
music of the classical masters:
Bach, Mozart, Rossini, Tchaik-
ovsky, and Stravinsky.

The first purpose of the San
Francisco Ballet was to supply
the San Francisco Opera Com-
pany with dancers for opera
performances. It continues to
fulfill this function.

The first choreographer staged
many successful productions and
established ballet as part of the
permanent culture scene of San
Francisco. Bolm was succeeded
by Serge Oukrainsky in 1938 and
he enlarged the Company's
scope. After two years as
artistic director, William
Christensen succeeded Oukrai-
nsky in 1938.

TRADITION
William Christensen developed
the company. To its repertoire,
he added whole ballets like
"Coppelia," "Swan Lake," and
"The Nutcracker." Presentation
of "The Nutcracker" has become
an annual tradition in San
Francisco.

When William Christensen
went to the University of Utah
in 1931, his brother assumed
direction of the company. He
was responsible for an "exchange
agreement" with the New York
city ballet, which has added to
the reputation of both companies.

The members of the company
have had a minimum of ten
years' training. There are no
stars in the group, but the three
best known are Nancy Johnson,
Sally Bailey, and Conrad Ludlow.
Miss Johnson was born in San
Francisco in 1931. Miss Bailey
was born a year later at Oakland,
and Mr Ludlow is a native of
Hamilton, Montana. He was
born in 1935.

The company, which will
travel by air, sent more than
15,000 pounds (lbs) of equip-
ment ahead by ship. This in-
cluded costumes, stage lights,
sets, and electrical equipment.

The electrical equipment is
particularly important and in-
cludes a generator, made
necessary because the Company
does not intend to rely on
orchestras for its music. It has
recorded the music it requires
on high-fidelity sound equip-
ment and thus will have its own
music wherever it goes.

MINISTERS ON
POLAR FLIGHT

Copenhagen, Jan. 3.
The Danish Premier, Mr H.
C. Hansen, the Norwegian
Foreign Minister, Mr Halvard
Lange and the Swedish Foreign
Minister, Mr Oesten Unden, will
fly to Tokyo on the opening
flight of the Scandinavian Air-
lines System's new Polar route.
It was announced here today.
The plane will arrive in Tokyo
on February 26.—Router.

A scene from the official
opening ceremony of what is
said to be the world's first
telecathode-therapeutic centre
— the main apparatus being
the anti-cancer cobalt bomb.
The centre is situated in
Turin's Poma Fimor Hospi-
tal.—Express Photo.

Refugee Airlift
Completed

McGuire, New Jersey, Jan. 3.
"Operation Safe Haven", the
airlift of 9,700 Hungarian re-
fugees to the United States, was
completed today.

The last planeload of Hun-
garians arrived here at 3:58 p.m.
with 35 passengers aboard.

The history-making airlift
began on December 11 with the
departure from Munich of four
Atlantic Division MATS planes
carrying 199 Hungarians. The
daily average during the 24-
day operations period rose to
above 500.

A breakdown of the total
showed 4,314 men, 3,544 women
and 1,842 children came to the
U.S. by air.—United Press.

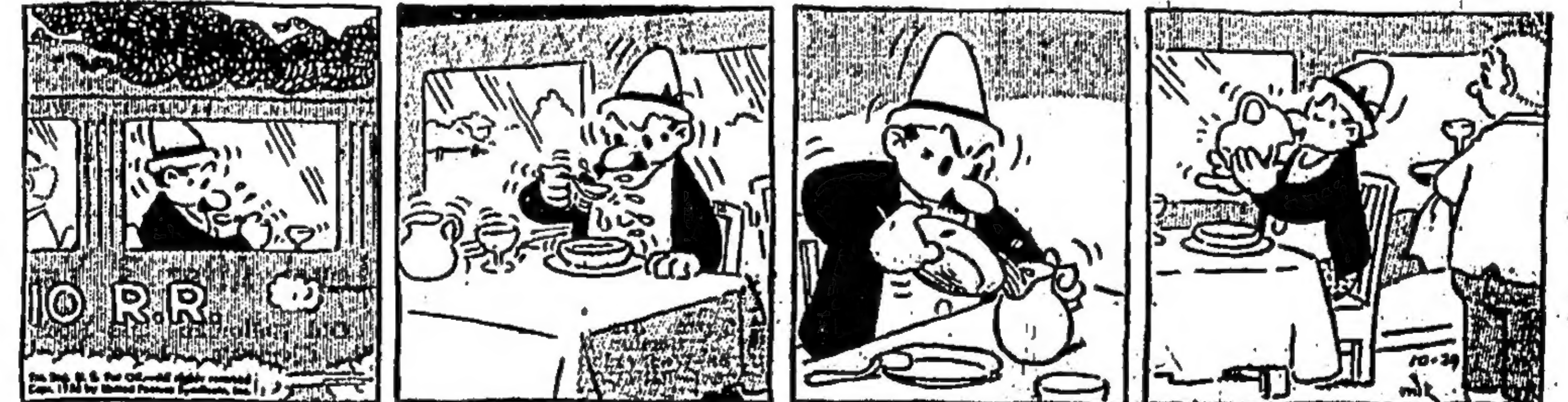
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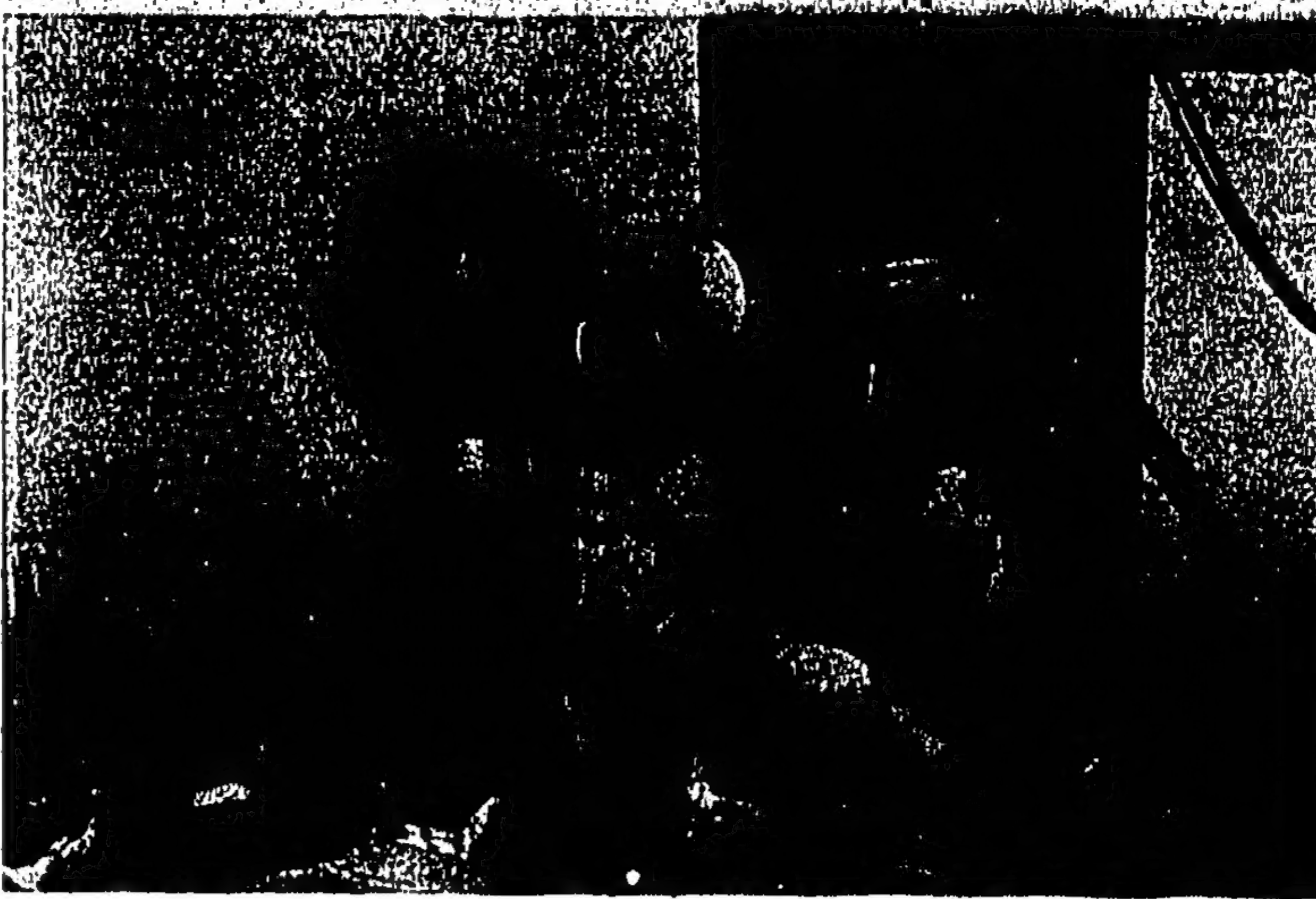
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Macao, 6 p.m.

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ming, 7 a.m.
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Formosa, Japan, Okinawa, Korea,
6 p.m.

By Surface

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Macao, 1 p.m.
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Indonesia, 4 p.m.
Thailand, 4 p.m.
China, People's Republic, 6 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6

By Air

Philippines, 8 p.m.
Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle
East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe,
6 p.m.
Canada, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
Formosa, U.S.A., 6 p.m.
Japan, Canada, 6 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 7

By Surface

China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Malaya, West Australia, Paracas
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Macao, 1 p.m.
Pakistan (P. India, Paracas via
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Burma, India, 3 p.m.
N. Borneo, 4 p.m.
Indonesia, 4 p.m.
Thailand, 4 p.m.
China, People's Republic, 6 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

ART LOVERS RELUCTANT
TO LEND TREASURES

Rome, Jan. 3.

Italian art lovers, unwilling to see their own
national treasures go abroad, are only too pleased
to see art treasures sent to them from other
countries.

While a fierce campaign to
prevent Italian old master
paintings from being lent to
exhibitions abroad has been
waged by Italian artists, critics
and newspapers, 3,000 art-
lovers a day are flocking to see
an exhibition of paintings here,
nearly two-thirds of which have
been lent by foreign collectors
and art galleries.

The current exhibition of
European paintings of the 17th
century, or, as the Italians call
it, "the 600," is one of the most
important international art ex-
hibitions ever held in Rome.

Appropriate

Many promising artists of
that period came to study here
and Romans feel that it is ap-
propriate that their works should
once more be reunited in the
city which inspired them.

The exhibition is organized
by an international committee
under the auspices of the Council
of Europe, which organized
similar European Art Exhibi-
tions in Brussels and in Amster-
dam in 1954 and 1955
respectively.

Many works for this year's
exhibition arrived late because
of hesitancy over the inter-
national situation. But it is an
encouraging example of inter-
national co-operation.

Each of the seven partici-
pating countries has paid for the
transport and insurance of the
pictures from private and
national collections selected by
the organizing committee in
Rome.

The Mayor of Rome, Signor
Umberto Tupini, placed Rome's
spacious exhibition palace at the
disposition of the organizers,
who transformed the giant
building into a modern picture
gallery for the two months of
the exhibition.

Visitors may see here
examples of all the main
trends of 17th century painting.
A huge "Beholding of John
the Baptist" by Michelangelo
Merisi, called il Caravaggio
after his native town, is the
centre piece of the exhibition.
It has just been restored, at
the expense of the Italian Govern-

ment, after it had deteriorated
seriously in the damp sea air of
Malta, where it was painted
nearly 350 years ago.

Exuberant Colours

Caravaggio developed a
realistic style of painting which
influenced painters in many
European countries during the
17th century.

From Munich, comes "The
rape of the daughters of
Leukippos" by the Flemish
painter, Peter Paul Rubens.
Rubens belonged to a different
tradition. His exuberant colours,
swirling figures, prancing
horses, and delight in painting
voluptuous nudes contrast with
the severe realism and studied
contrast of colour and tone of
Caravaggio.

Even more striking is the
contrast between the cool fresh
classicism of the French school
of 17th century painters, such
as Nicholas Poussin and Claude
Lorraine, who both died in
Rome, and the excesses of
Rubens and his followers.

The Louvre museum in Paris
has sent a score of famous
paintings to the exhibition.
Others come from Amsterdam,
London, Grenoble and the
private collection of Queen
Elizabeth II of Great Britain.

Yet only in October, a great
outcry was being raised in Italy
against the proposed shipment
of 34 important Italian Re-
naissance paintings for ex-
hibition in the United States.
A 78-year-old Florentine
painter, Enrico Sacchetti, began
a legal action against the Mayor
of Florence, claiming that many
of the works to be sent were
owned by him, and that he
was authorized by the Govern-

Slogans

Several painters locked
themselves up in a medieval
tower in protest and only came
down after the Mayor promised
to do his best to prevent the
masterpieces being removed.

Slogans were strung across
the tower in Florence, while
questions were asked in Parlia-
ment about why these most pre-
cious art treasures should be
subjected to the dangers of a trans-
Atlantic crossing, and con-
sequent changes in tempera-
ture and humidity, which have
serious effects on old paintings.

With the tragedy of the
sinking of the Italian trans-
Atlantic liner, Andrea Doria,
with the loss of 50 lives in July
1956, still fresh in their minds,
art lovers wanted to know why
these most valuable master-
pieces should be subjected to
the hazards of the Atlantic.

Museum curators replied that
the paintings are in no more
danger from being sent abroad
than when they remain in their
home gallery, with the normal
risk of fire and sudden damage.
Extremists are against any
shipment of works of art
abroad.

Only Reason

They say that the only
possible reason for incurring
the risk by transport from one
country to another is the con-
servation of the actual work.
Thus, the huge Caravaggio, the
centre piece of the exhibition
in Rome, was brought from Malta
because it was in urgent need
of restoration.

Their opponents emphasize
that if this is the case, it means
an end to all international ex-
hibitions of old works of art.—
China Mail Special.

TIBETAN
PASTOR
IN BERLIN

Berlin, Jan. 3.

The Tibetan Protestant
Pastor, Elijah Tietan
Puntog, a nobleman who
wanted to become a
Buddhist monk and instead
turned Christian, will
preach the sermon in a
500th anniversary service
of the Moravian Brothers
in Berlin on Sunday.

As a young man, Pastor Puntog,
descendant of the ancient
kings of Ladakh, in Tibet, was
forbidden by his family to enter
Buddhist orders so that he could
inherit his father's enormous
herds of yak and sheep.
He studied the Bible with
the intention of attacking Chris-
tianity, but instead became
converted in 1928 and married the
daughter of Pastor Josef Gargan,
translator of the Bible into
Tibetan.
He entered the Order of the
Moravian Brothers in 1930 and
was ordained a pastor in 1934.
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